

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently amended) A card with information thereon, comprising:

a first portion having a telephone number thereon capable of being used to connect a computer device to an internet service provider via telephone connection and a global computer network;

a second portion having a code thereon, wherein said code can be used as a password for enabling said computer device to be connected to said global computer network via said internet service provider, and have access to an account associated with said code;

a third portion indicating an the amount of time that has been allocated to said account;

and

a means for notifying a user that the allocated amount of time is about to expire.
2. (Original) The card of Claim 1, wherein said card has a fourth portion with information regarding the internet service provider, and a fifth portion with connective identification.
3. (Currently amended) The card of Claim 2, wherein said connective identification is one of a website ~~or~~ and an email address of the internet service provider.
4. (Currently amended) The card of Claim 1, wherein a at least one removable protective cover is provided to conceal the information on at least one of said first and said second ~~portion~~ portions.

5. (Currently amended) The card of Claim 4, wherein said protective cover is comprised of one of scratch-off paint ~~or~~ and other scratch-off material.

6. (Original) The card of Claim 4, wherein said protective cover is comprised of a peel-off strip.

7. (Original) The card of Claim 1, wherein one or more removable protective covers are provided to conceal the information of said first and second portions.

8. (Original) The card of Claim 1, wherein said telephone number is a toll-free number.

9. (Original) The card of Claim 1, wherein said code comprises alpha-numeric symbols.

10. (Original) The card of Claim 1, wherein said code is assigned to an account, wherein the time allocated to the account determines how long the computer can remain connected to said global computer network.

11. (Currently amended) A card comprising:

a first portion having a telephone number thereon capable of being used to connect a computer device to an internet service provider via a telephone connection and a global computer network;

a second portion having a code thereon, wherein said code can be used as a password for enabling said computer device to be connected to said global computer network, and have access to an account associated with said code; and

wherein one or more removable protective covers are provided to conceal the information on said at least one of first ~~and/or~~ and second portions; and

means for notifying a user that an amount of time for connection to said global computer network is about to expire.

12. (Currently amended) The card of Claim 11, wherein said one or more protective covers are comprised of one of scratch-off paint ~~or~~ and other scratch-off material.

13. (Original) The card of Claim 11, wherein said one or more protective covers are comprised of a peel-off strip.

14. (Currently amended) The card of Claim 11, wherein said amount of time is a predetermined amount of time that has been allocated to said account, ~~and wherein the time allocated to said account determines how long the computer can remain connected to said global computer network.~~

15. (Currently amended) A method of providing a card to connect to a global computer network, comprising:

providing a card with a telephone number and code thereon;

enabling a computer to be used to enter the telephone number and code to connect to said global computer network and access an account associated with said code;

allocating a predetermined amount of time on said account; ~~and~~

enabling said computer to be connected to said global computer network for said predetermined amount of time, wherein said connection is terminated at the expiration of said amount of time [[.]]; and

providing a notification to the user when said allocated predetermined amount of time is about to expire.

16. (Original) The method of Claim 15, wherein multiple cards are provided, and a different code is provided on each card, and each code is assigned to a different account.

17. (Original) The method of Claim 16, wherein first portion of said multiple cards is provided with codes that are assigned to accounts having a first predetermined amount of time allocated thereto, and a second portion of said multiple cards is provided with codes that are assigned to accounts having a second predetermined amount of time allocated thereto.

18. (Canceled)

19. (Original) The method of Claim 15, wherein said predetermined amount of time allocated to said account can be adjusted.